

Leonardo

"As you can see,
These recent works are all of
Women. But I'm giving that up,
The same face, endlessly.
Turning to beetles, mollusks,
Bats, boats, pulleys, etc.
Fish, frogs, flying machines
Etc. You see what I mean.
However, nevertheless,
We could manage a small portrait
On my diminished schedule ...
Next Tuesday at three is fine ...
By the way,
Should you see any
Persimmons, lodestones, horseflies
On your way home
Do bring them along next Tuesday.
Persimmons, in particular.
Good day, Signora del Giocondo."

-- Myron Levoy

Confucius

We gave him
that Roman name

so we may call him
thinker.

Thus to
diminish him, to

complete the job
with Confucius jokes.

-- George Bowering

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